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IAC-M-214

4 October 1955

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 4 October 1955

Director of Central Intelligence
Allen W. Dulles
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General Ridgely Gaither, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Carl F. Espe, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Rear Admiral Edwin T. Layton, Deputy Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Harry Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative
to the IAC
Mr. Alan H. Belmont, Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of
Investigation

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1. Approval of Minutes
27 September Meeting
(IAC-M-213)

Approved, as amended at item 3 to read: "Approved as amended. The Director of Naval Intelligence stated that ONI approval was predicated on the assumption that development of the inspection plan would not require an increase in ONI personnel. The Chairman said that the IAC had approved the Task Force Report with that understanding."

2. Watch Committee Report
No. 269

Noted.

3. Status Report to the IAC on
Information Processing
(IAC-D-95/1, 27 September 1955)

The report was noted, and satisfaction was expressed by the members at the progress being made.

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5. Soviet Foreign Policy in the
Light of the Summit Conference
(NIE 11-13-55)

Approved as amended.

6. Soviet Nuclear Explosions
(IAC-D-10/13, 3 October 1955)

Approved further dissemination of this report as amended
on a need-to-know basis.

7. Indonesian Estimate Scheduled

The Chairman suggested, and the members agreed, that
an estimate on Indonesia be prepared for consideration by the IAC
at its next regular meeting, 11 October 1955.

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Adjournment: 1210

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Acting Secretary

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2. The Board of National Estimates and the IAC representatives have agreed that no post-mortem is required on NIE 11-13-55, "Soviet Foreign Policy in the Light of the Summit Conference," 4 October 1955. The paper involved largely questions of judgment as to Soviet intentions rather than positive intelligence. Deficiencies in the latter have been noted in post-mortems on previous estimates on the Soviet Union, and will be dealt with again in connection with the next regular estimate on the USSR scheduled for the Second Quarter of 1956. No post-mortem will therefore be undertaken, except at the request of a member of the IAC at the next regular meeting.

3. Unless objection is raised by a member at the next regular meeting of the IAC, the Secretary proposes to release to USIA, NIE 11-13-55, "Soviet Foreign Policy in the Light of the Summit Conference," 4 October 1955.

4. All the IAC members having approved IAC-D-45/12 (Revision 5), 15 September 1955, "Procedures for the Dissemination of National Intelligence Surveys," that document supersedes IAC-D-45/12 (Revision 4), 10 June 1953, and all subsequent amendments thereto.

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Also Present

Central Intelligence Agency

Mr. Robert Amory, Jr.
Mr. Sherman Kent
Mr. Otto E. Guthe
Mr. Herbert Scoville, Jr.

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Department of State

Mr. Howard Furnas
Mr. Boris Klosson

Department of the Army

Lieutenant Colonel John E. Arthur
Lieutenant Colonel Robert Delaney

Department of the Navy

Captain C. C. Coley

Department of the Air Force

Colonel Willis B. Sawyer
Lieutenant Colonel Richard Day
Lieutenant Colonel Van A. Woods, Jr.

The Joint Staff

Colonel John E. Leary, USA
Captain Ralph Metcalf, USN

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Mr. M. W. Kuhrtz